

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

RONALD GONDA,	:	CIVIL ACTION NO. 00-2286
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Plaintiff,	:	
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v.	:	CHIEF JUDGE AMBROSE
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METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE	:	
COMPANY and WILLIAM FRIEDT, JR.	:	
	:	
Defendants.	:	

**DEFENDANTS METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY’S AND MOTION IN
LIMINE TO PRECLUDE EVIDENCE REGARDING THE RECOVERY OF
PURPORTED EXPECTATION DAMAGES**

Defendants Metropolitan Life Insurance Company (“MetLife”) and William Friedt, Jr., by and through their attorneys, McCarter & English, LLP, present this Motion in Limine to Preclude Evidence Regarding the Recovery of Purported Expectation Damages.

1. Plaintiff is not entitled to “benefit of the bargain,” or “expectation” damages, in this matter. Pennsylvania law is clear that expectation damages are not available in actions grounded in fraud. Rather, plaintiff’s damages -- if any -- should be limited to the recovery of his actual, out-of-pocket losses. The expert report of Robert Boyd Carter, CLU, ChFC, which purports to assess plaintiff’s alleged damages, contemplates expectation damages.¹

2. Plaintiff should be precluded from introducing any evidence of expectation damages and from recovering expectation damages for the reasons set forth in detail in MetLife’s and Mr.

¹ The Opinion prepared by Robert Boyd Carter is attached as Exhibit A to Defendants’ Motion. In support of the arguments set forth in detail in MetLife’s Brief in Support of its Motion to In Limine to Preclude Evidence regarding the Recovery of Purported Expectation Damages, MetLife encloses Ex. B, Notice of Replacement sent to Ronald Gonda; Ex. C, Letter from Nicsky to Pruco; Ex. D, Bryant v. Metropolitan Life Ins Co., G.D. No. 99-19511, Decision and Award; Ex. E, Bauer v. Metropolitan Life Ins. Co., G.D. No. 95-15814, Decision and Award; Ex. F, Eck v. Metropolitan Life Ins. Co., G.D. No. 95-17150, Opinion and Order of Court; and Ex. G, Braeudigam v. Metropolitan Life Ins. Co., G.D. No. 95-16429, Decision and Award.

Friedt's Brief in Support of their Motion in Limine to Preclude Evidence Regarding the Recovery of Purported Expectation Damages.

WHEREFORE, based on all of the foregoing reasons as well as those set forth in the accompanying brief, MetLife and Mr. Friedt respectfully request that this Honorable Court determine that any evidence regarding expectation damages is excluded and that plaintiff may not recover expectation damages at the time of trial.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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